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1. ☒ Filing Fee

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| Independent Claims                 | 3  | -3 = | 0  | x \$84.00= | \$0.00   |
| Multiple Dependent Claims          |    |      |    | Fee:       | \$0.00   |
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2. ☒ Specification  
44 page(s) of specification; 8 page(s) of claims, 1 page(s) of abstract

3. ☒ Drawings  
Figure(s) 1-8 on 7 sheet(s)

4. ☒ Oath or Declaration  
☒ Newly executed  
☐ Copy from a prior application (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))  
Deletion of Inventor(s) (in continuation or divisional applications):

☐ Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior non-provisional application:

☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a signed sheet attached hereto.

5. ☐ The entire disclosure of the prior application referred to above is considered to be part of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.
6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
- ☐ Computer Readable copy
- ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
- ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies
8. ☒ Assignment Papers
9. Power of Attorney
- ☒ Is attached.
- ☐ The power of attorney appears in the original papers of the prior application.
- ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
10. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
11. Amendments
- ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
- ☐ Cancel in this application claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
12. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
13. Small Entity Status
- ☐ A small entity statement is enclosed.
- ☐ A small entity statement was filed in the prior non-provisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- ☐ Is no longer claimed.
14. ☐ Priority of foreign application number \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119(a)-(d)
15. ☐ Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 136 for Extension of Time
16. ☒ Other: Request and Certification under 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

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ASSIGNMENT BASED ON  
SCHEDULE INFORMATION  
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SYSTEM

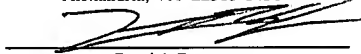
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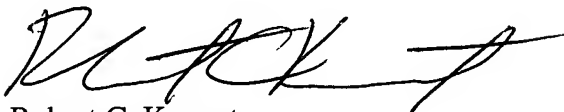
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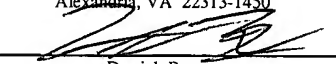
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| Atty Docket Number:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                              | 5681-69800                                                                           |  |
| First Named Inventor:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                              | Rahul Shah                                                                           |  |
| Title:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Method And System For Presence State Assignment Based On Schedule Information In An Instant Messaging System |                                                                                      |  |

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